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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

[1651-0024]

Agency Information Collection Activities:

Entry/Immediate Delivery Application and ACE Cargo Release

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: 30-Day notice and request for comments; extension of an existing collection of information.

SUMMARY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) of the Department of Homeland Security will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act: Entry/Immediate Delivery Application (Forms 3461 and 3461 ALT) and ACE Cargo Release. CBP is proposing that this information collection be extended with a change to the burden hours. This document is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on this proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the OMB Desk Officer for Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, and sent via electronic mail to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov or faxed to (202) 395-5806.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Tracey Denning, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Regulations and Rulings, Office of International Trade, 90 K Street, NE, 10th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20229-1177, at 202-325-0265.

published in the **Federal Register** (80 FR 3973) on January 26, 2015, allowing for a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10. CBP invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3507). The comments should address: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimates of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden, including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology; and (e) the annual costs to respondents or record keepers from the collection of information

(total capital/startup costs and operations and maintenance costs). The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the CBP request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this document, CBP is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection:

Title: Entry/Immediate Delivery Application and ACE Cargo Release

OMB Number: 1651-0024

Form Number: 3461 and 3461 ALT

Abstract: All items imported into the United States are subject to examination before entering the commerce of the United States. There are two procedures available to effect the release of imported merchandise, including "entry" pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1484, and "immediate delivery" pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1448(b). Under both procedures, CBP Forms 3461, Entry/Immediate Delivery, and 3461 ALT are the source documents in the packages presented to Customs and Border Protection (CBP). The information collected on CBP Forms 3461 and 3461 ALT allow CBP officers to verify that the information regarding the consignee and shipment is correct and that a bond is on file with CBP. CBP also uses these forms to close out the manifest and to establish the obligation to pay estimated duties in the time period prescribed by law or regulation. CBP Form 3461 is also a delivery authorization document and is given to the importing carrier to authorize the release of the merchandise.

CBP Forms 3461 and 3461 ALT are provided for by 19 CFR 141 and 142. These forms and instructions for Form 3461 are accessible at:

http://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/publications/forms

ACE Cargo Release is a program for ACE entry summary filers in which importers or brokers may file Simplified Entry data in lieu of filing the CBP Form 3461. This data consists of 12 required elements: importer of record; buyer name and address; buyer employer identification number (consignee number), seller name and address; manufacturer/supplier name and address; Harmonized Tariff Schedule 10-digit number; country of origin; bill of lading; house air waybill number; bill of lading issuer code; entry number; entry type; and estimated shipment value. Three optional data elements are the container stuffing location; consolidator name and address, and ship to party name and address. The data collected under the ACE Cargo Release program is intended to reduce transaction costs, expedite cargo release, and enhance cargo security. ACE Cargo Release filing minimizes the redundancy of data submitted by the filer to CBP through receiving carrier data from the carrier. This design allows the participants to file earlier in the transportation flow. Guidance on using ACE Cargo Release may be found at http://www.cbp.gov/trade/ace/features

Current Actions: This submission is being made to extend the expiration date with a change in the burden hours resulting from the transition from Form 3461 to ACE Cargo Release. There are no changes to the information collected.

Type of Review: Extension (with change)

Affected Public: Businesses

CBP Form 3461:

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,014

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1,410

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 4,249,740

Estimated Time per Response: 15 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,062,435

CBP Form 3461 ALT:

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,795

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1,390

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 9,444,069

Estimated Time per Response: 3 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 472,203

ACE Cargo Release:

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,015

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1,410

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 4,251,150

Estimated Time per Response: 10 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 705,691

Dated: March 25, 2015,

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